



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 980

LCO No. 4017



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING PRISON GERRYMANDERING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 9-14 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 No person shall be deemed to have lost his or her residence in any
4 town by reason of his or her absence therefrom in any institution
5 maintained by the state. No person who resides in any institution
6 maintained by the state, including, but not limited to, an institution
7 maintained by the Department of Correction, shall be admitted as an
8 elector in the town in which such institution is located, unless [he] such
9 person proves to the satisfaction of the admitting official that he or she
10 is a bona fide resident of such institution.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-14
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Statement of Purpose:

To clarify that the population of a prison should not be included as part of the population of the legislative district in which the prison is located.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]